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OBITUARY.

In the death of Mr. Levi N. Bates

the town of Cohasset has lost one of its

best citizens and one of its most

trustworthy and public spirited men.

From his sterling integrity, fine natural

endowments, careful culture, his

reliance on the law, and his practical

ability, joined with extreme modesty

and self-reliance, he was worthy of more

than a passing notice.

In his boyhood he was fitted for

college at the Leicester Academy, and

intended to obtain a collegiate

education, but in consequence of the

death of his father his hopes were

disappointed, and he came home and

took charge of the store and the busi-

ness which his father left. For many

years he continued in this occupation.

Although he had failed in acquiring a

collegiate education he did not lose

his love for learning nor relinquish

his endeavors for literary culture.

He continued, to some extent, his

classical studies, and read in Latin some

of the best classical literature. But he

especially delighted in the study of

modern languages. He was an en-

thusiast of French, and in the

study, the reading, the hearing and

pronouncing of the language he found

ever new delight.

Fifty years ago he corresponded in

that language with a friend in Har-

vard college, Thomas Allen Rich, and

one of his last literary occupations

before his death was to translate the

language to some young ladies.

Indeed through all these fifty years he

was constantly trying to perfect him-

self in the language, studying the

nuances of grammar and of expres-

sion, and trying to discover

all the peculiarities and changes of

the language.

For this purpose he fre-

quently took lessons of the best

French teachers, attending lectures,

readings, especially when Madam

Rachel was in Boston; and all the

new knowledge he could obtain he

rejoiced to impart to his pupils, who

he visited, and the successive classes

of young men and maidens who he

rejoiced to teach gratuitously and

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the prosperity of the bank, in induc-

ing investors to intrust their money

cheerfully to its care. And those as

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of the bank will never forget his ur-

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tive interest in embellishing and beau-

tifying the town, in setting out shade

trees by the sides of the streets, and

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for many years an object of especial

interest to him, and he spent much

time and pains in making it beautiful

and attractive.

Mr. Bates was an interested mem-

ber of the First Parish and church.

He was always, when not prevented by

sickness, present at the services, an

attentive and reverent worshiper.

He was interested in the progress of

liberal Christianity, of temperance,

and of good morals in every form.

While he was independent in his own

thought and opinions he respected the

opinions of those who differed from

him.

He was a man of deep and tender

feelings, and in the quiet pleasures of

his home, the love and affectionate

care of his family, and in the society

of his connections and friends whom

he was ever ready to help with his

sympathy and services, he found con-

stant satisfaction and joy. He

sorrowed deeply when his loved ones

were taken from him, yet he bore his

losses with Christian patience and re-

solution, and only clung with deep

and tender affection to those who

were left to him, who found joy in

anticipating his wants, and in minister-

ing to him in his increasing infirmity

with loving care.

He kept his heart ever fresh and

young, preserved his health for social

amusements and entered heartily into

all innocent pleasures and recreations.

While he loved life and found ever

new satisfaction in it, living as he did

for the beautiful, the good, and the

true, he had no fear of the future, and

at last, in the full maturity of his

powers, passed away without the slight-

est consciousness of pain or suffering,

into the higher life.

"The memorial of virtue is immortal

because it is known of God and men,

and it is yet present to take ex-

ample of and when it is gone,

they earnestly desire it. It weathers

a crown forever, having gotten the vic-

tory, striving for undimmed rewards."

Mr. Joshua Bates, a venerable citi-

zen of Cohasset, died recently, at the

age of 87 years. He was born in

"Beechwood," Cohasset, Dec. 8, 1796,

and was the son of Joshua Bates and

Hannah his second wife, and in early

life followed the sea. In 1817 he em-

igrated to Vermont and took up a tract

of wild land in the county of Windsor.

He remained there until the tide of

emigration set westward, and then,

with others removed to Ohio, where

he remained many years, and then se-

lected Naick as the place to pass the

remainder of his days. Mr. Bates was

twice married and leaves a widow and

four children.

Mr. Bates was a member of the

School Committee in 1835 and was

a member of the Superintendent School

Committee at different times, thirty-

five years, the last eighteen of which

he held the office continuously.

He always took a deep interest in

the schools, and did all in his power

by his advice, his suggestions, and his

active cooperation to bring them up to

a state of greater excellence. Both

the teachers and pupils in our schools

found him a friend, while those who

have been his friends and associates

in the management of the schools

can best appreciate his liberal views

and his practical wisdom.

He was for a number of years one

of the trustees of the Derby Academy.

His son, Mr. John Bates, was ap-

pointed secretary and treasurer of

the academy, and his son, Mr. John

Bates, was appointed secretary and

treasurer. This office he held till a

few weeks before his death. It need

not be said that the perfect conduct

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MAY 7, 1970.

Thomas Russell's Address.

On February 19, 1770, the Danish ship

Gertrude Maria, in a driving snow storm,

struck on a ledge, and finally went to pieces

on a beach, where the survivors at the

week found poor shelter for the night.

In the morning heavy snow covered the

beach, and the survivors were forced to

seek shelter in the woods. The survivors

at their homes. This was the first

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